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[Despatch Abstract.]

Harijan Welfare - Education - Hostels - Insl
the personal Assistant to the
Commissioner of Labour - Proposals for improvement
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Abstract.

HARIJAN WELFARE - Education - Hostels - Inspection report by the Personal Assistant to the ~~Examiner~~ Commissioner of Labour - Proposals for improvement - Deferred.

Firka Development Department.

G.O.Ms.No.198. Dated the 14th March 1950.
Read the following:

1. From the Director of Harijan Welfare, A.6.9586/48, dated 9-4-49.
2. From the Director of Harijan Welfare, D1-9586/48, dated 29-11-49.
3. From the Director of Harijan Welfare, -do- dated 21-12-1949.

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O R D E R:

The Government consider that the need for prescribing a uniform type design of buildings for hostels (both private and Government) for Harijans and other eligible communities is neither imperative nor urgent. In view of this and of the large expenditure involved, they direct that the proposals be deferred for the present.

(BY ORDER OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR)

Sd. x x x
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Harijan Welfare, Madras(with type designs).

Copy to F.D.IV.

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Firka Development Department(Special) .

Sub:- Harijan Welfare Department - Harijan Hostels - Suggestions for improvement.

Ref:- 1.Letter from the H.H.W., A-6.9586/~~dated~~48 dated 9-4-1949.
2. -do- D-1. -do- " 29-11-1949.
3. -do- -do- " 21-12-1949.

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This file relates to the question of laying down certain minimum standards for Harijan hostels in respect of their accommodation etc. In October 1948, the P.A. to the C of L., inspected some subsidised hostels in West Godavari district and has remarked that most of them are housed in small hovels and that the sanitary conditions, etc., prevailing there are far from satisfactory. The sanitary conditions of hostels managed by private individuals are also reported to be unsatisfactory. He has therefore suggested the desirability of prescribing certain standards for these hostels in respect of accommodation, sanitation and other amenities, etc. The draft rules for recognition of hostels prepared by the Sub-Committee of the Provincial Harijan Welfare Committee require that a certificate from the D.E.O. or the Dt. Health Officer regarding the suitability of the hostel from the point of view of habitation, convenience, adequancy of accommodation etc., should be attached to an application for recognition to be submitted by hostel managements seeking aid from the Harijan Welfare Department. Particulars regarding the number and dimensions of the rooms and halls available for study and sleep etc., are also required to be furnished in the application. The need for prescribing certain standards for these institutions in respect of their accommodation etc., is thus apparent.

2. The D.P.I., Madras, and the Chairman, Building Designs Committee, have been consulted in regard to the standards of accommodation, etc., to be prescribed for the hostels subsidised by Government. The D.P.I. has stated that there are no hostels receiving aid from the provincial Funds under the Education Dept. The rules framed for the conduct of hostels attached to Govt. institutions do not, however, prescribe any conditions in respect of accommodation, et

The Building Designs Committee has issued a questionnarie calling for the views of heads of important institution and after considering the various replies received, reached certain conclusions in the matter. The questionnaire of the Committee and the conclusions reached thereon will be found at pp. 9-12 c.f.

The main features of a hostel, as emerge out of these conclusions of the Committee, are as follows:

1. Hostel buildings to be classified into four categories:

(i) Hostel for students of Arts Colleges

(ii) -do- -do- Technical Colleges.

(iii) -do- -do- High Schools (Boys).

(iv) -do- -do- -do- (Girls).

2. Hostel to consist of two blocks, each to accommodate 60 students.

3. (i) Dormitory: A unit of three rooms each measuring 14' x 16' to accommodate 12 in all.

(Note: This is suggested in the case of High School Boys and Girls where necessary supervision and prefect system exist and not for Arts and Professional College students.

(ii) Double rooms: 14' x 9'

(iii) Single rooms: 10' x 8'

.. Study ...ns: 14 x 32

(One for each block to serve common purposes such as library, reading room, etc., for all the students of the block).

5. Community amenities:

(i) Two common rooms for prayer etc.

(ii) One recreation room for indoor games, etc.

6. Dining Rooms: 32' x 26' inside dimensions, with varandahs. Two required--one for Vegetarian and the other for non-vegetarian section and each to cater to 60 students.

7. Kitchen: Main Kitchen 16' x 14' with other appurtenant rooms such as, preparation room, store room, fuel room etc. (presumably two will be required one for each section).

8. Lavatories and Bath Rooms:

6 Bathrooms	...	one for 10
6 W.Cs.	...	-do-
6 Urinals	...	-do-

9. Wardens' Quarters:

'D' type.

10. Doctors' Quarters:

'E' type.

11. Two rooms for Wardens' office, one room for Doctor and one emergency sick room.

12. Quarters for Hostel staff:

Steward	(1)
Cooks	
Watchmen	(2)
Scavengers	(2)

The accommodation provided in plan is intended for a hostel for 120 students.

3. The Chairman, Buildings Designs Committee, has forwarded the blue-print copies of designs for hostels, which are placed below at flag (W). A hostel for 120 students is estimated to cost Rs.2,64,500/- providing for an increase of 15% in the rates during 1949-50. This estimate does not,however, take into account the cost of site and departmental charges to be levided, if any, if the works are to be executed through the agency of the P.W.D.

4. There are at present 325 hostels in the province under the control of the Harijan Welfare Dept. of which 292 hostels (including 12 Government maintained hostels) are exclusively intended for Harijans. The remaining 33 hostesl are intended for Harijans and other eligible communities. The strenght of each hostel is given in the statement furnished by the Director of Harijan Welfare in the L.A. It is not possible to estimate the cost involved in the construction of all these hostels according to the plan designed by the Building s and Designs Committee.

5. It may be mentioned that in another connection the D.H.W. has been asked to submit specific proposals for sanction of building and equipment grants to such of the hostels subsidised by Government as have been in existence for over a period of 5

years. The consolidated proposals of the Director in this regard are still awaited. This question may, therefore, be examined after the reply of the Director is received in that file.

The main issue in this file is whether Government should prescribe a uniform type design of buildings for hostels running private agencies for Harijans and other eligible communities. It has been accepted that the buildings in which these pupils are housed at present are not satisfactory from all points of view and that a type design of buildings should be prescribed.

The next point for consideration is whether the type design sent by the Buildings Design Committee may be approved for adoption by managements of hostels. The estimated cost of construction of buildings for 120 students is Rs.2,65,000/-. As will beseen from the linked file only a few hostels have a strength of over 100 students. The difficulty of accommodation comes in only where the hostel has an increased strength. The type design may therefore be accepted with suitable alterations for all hostels where the actual strength is 60 and over. In other cases it may be suggested that the type design should be followed as far as possible.

Education and Public Health, P.W. and Finance may see for remarks.

Reference: Secretary's query at 'A' in the margin on p. 4 ante.

Of the 325 hostels under the control of Harijan Welfare Department 12 are Government maintained hostels and the remaining 313 are private hostels. The cost of construction of Government hostels will no doubt have to be met from State funds.

The other hostels will be eligible for half-grants from Government provided they satisfy the conditions laid down in the Grant-in-aid code in this behalf. The Government have however limited such grants only to hostels which have been in existence for over a period of 5 years vide G.O.Ms.No.2813 Development

dated 30-6-1947. The D.H.W. has been asked separately to submit specific proposals for sanction of building grants to the hostels.

2. The hostels attached to private educational institutions will also be eligible for half grants from Government if the conditions laid down in the Grants-in-aid Code are satisfied.

(B-1)
E & P.H. Department.

The notes on pages 1-5 above may be perused. This department may concur in the view expressed at 'T' on p. 4 ante.

2. The file may be passed on to P.W.D. u.o.

P.W.D.(C).

The notes above may be perused. No special remarks are called for in this Department. The file may be passed on to Finance.

Finance (Exp.A).

The proposal in this file is summarised in the note on p.4 above. Finance may entirely agree with the view expressed at T and P by the Secretary, F.D., in the margin on p. 4 above.

Firka Development Depat. V.

Please see the notes of E & P.H., P.W. and Finance Departments from the middle of p. 5 ante. They agree with this departments views expressed at T and P in the margin of p. 4 above. In view of the above, the Director of Harijan Welfare may be informed that Government do not agree to his proposal. Subject to orders, a draft order is submitted for approval.

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SUPERINTENDENT.